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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 et. seq., the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicant with the next official communication.

The attached documents were discovered as a result of a Search Report in Applicants' corresponding foreign patent application. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the cited documents and the Search Report. Please note that documents No. 5,587,969 and EP 0 689 679 have been previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), Applicant believes that copies of cited U.S. Patents and Published Applications are no longer required to be provided to the Office. Notification of this change was provided in the United States Patent and Trademark Office OG Notices dated October 12, 2004. Thus, Applicant has not included copies of any US Patents or Published Applications cited with this submission. Should the Office require copies to be provided, Applicant respectfully requests that notice of such requirement be directed to Applicant's below-signed representative. Applicant acknowledges the requirement to submit copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2).

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